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2014 Jim Claypool Art and Conservation Writing Contest Announced

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Sept. 2, 2014) – The Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts, in partnership with the Kentucky Farm Bureau, announces the beginning of the 2014 Jim Claypool Art and Conservation Writing Contest titled “The Soil Daily Times.” Students across the state will use a soil theme to create art and essays to urge their audience toward good soil conservation practices. County, area and state winners will be chosen through the local conservation districts.

“We are very excited about the contest this year, as it will be an anniversary year for the contest. This is the 70th year for the writing contest and 40th year for the art contest,” noted Kimberly Richardson, director of the Kentucky Division of Conservation. “Kentucky’s students have been learning about Kentucky’s natural resources for seven decades.”

Students can get contest rules and study information through their local conservation district or through the Division of Conservation’s website at <http://conservation.ky.gov/Pages/ArtandWritingContest.aspx>. Entries should be submitted to the student’s school. School winners will be chosen and submitted to the conservation district before Dec. 1, 2014.

State and area winners will be honored at the 2015 Kentucky Conservation Committee’s Biodiversity Day by Kentucky Farm Bureau and the Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts. State, area and county winners will receive a monetary award from Kentucky Farm Bureau and recognition from their local conservation districts.

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